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For : ABSORBENT TAMPON PROVIDING CLEAN DIGITAL INSERTION

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SUBMISSION OF COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 53(f) and Rule 54, please find enclosed a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the application of CURT BINNER entitled ABSORBENT TAMPON PROVIDING CLEAN DIGITAL INSERTION, attorney Docket No. J&J-5086, to complete, pursuant to Rule 51, this application filed on April 18, 2006 by Express Mail pursuant to Rule 10. As required, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is also attached.

Please charge Johnson & Johnson Deposit Account No. 10-0750/J&J5086/JAR in the amounts of \$130.00 for submission of the Declaration pursuant to Section 1.16(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 10-0750/J&J5086/JAR. This sheet is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/18/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/18/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/18/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/18/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/18/2006
- Specification filed on 04/18/2006
- Claims filed on 04/18/2006
- Abstracts filed on 04/18/2006
- Drawings filed on 04/18/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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